

Essential Reference Paper B

Issue	Representations made	Officer comment
<p>Changes to the Conservation Area Boundary</p>	<p>Support for the changes to the Conservation Area boundary which includes an extension in one area and the removal of two other areas has been given from several respondents.</p> <p>The Parish Council request that a piece of recreational land to the west of Acorn Street, known locally as The Dell, be included within the conservation area. This is an idea shared by other members of the community and has been expressed in written comments and at the public meeting.</p> <p>One respondent asked that officers review the inclusion of 10 A-D and 20 A-D Drury Lane within the conservation area.</p> <p>The proposal to include the pond at the end of Drury Lane is supported.</p>	<p>Officers have carefully re-examined the proposed boundary changes and maintain the view that it would be inappropriate to include The Dell in the Conservation Area. As planning permission has been granted on that site for a chapel. Prior to construction of the building it would be premature to include the area, as it may be considered in the future that the development does not positively contribute to the Conservation Area.</p> <p>Officers consider these properties to be an integral part of Drury Lane and that their continued inclusion in the conservation area is appropriate.</p>
<p>Enhancement proposals to deal with detracting elements</p>	<p>One of issues raised within Part C of the appraisal recognises that the parking of cars around the village pump creates a detraction within the</p>	<p>As the document recognises the parking problem improvements can be sought. A long term solution would be beneficial as long as it does not impact on</p>

<p>conservation area. Several respondents agree with this view and would like to see the area enhanced as long as the spaces lost through improvement works are relocated nearby.</p> <p>The suggestion of relocating some parking to the Village Hall car park has been supported with one comment suggesting a viable solution. However the Parish Council and some respondents are not in favour of using the Village car park or the war memorial green for parking.</p> <p>All respondents are not in favour of removing the Horse Chestnut tree which sits within the village hall car park.</p> <p>Removal of the current telephone box is approved.</p> <p>The suggestion of introducing a hedge around the Crown public house has received a mixture of positive and negative comments. It is recognised that improvements are needed however how this is to be achieved has been contested in regards to whether the picket fence is repaired or if a hedge is introduced.</p> <p>It has been suggested by respondents that Picket fences be described as an environmental feature of quality.</p>	<p>any other contributory features within the Conservation Area.</p> <p>A recognised above, the demand for parking leads to a problem within the village, if a viable solution is sought it will be in partnership with interested parties.</p> <p>It is noted that as the tree is within the public realm, it should not be a public liability and therefore its deterioration will have to be monitored.</p> <p>Officers support any solution which sees the area improved.</p> <p>There are many picket fences within the conservation area of various sizes and styles some of which form curtilage boundaries to listed buildings. Most of these are likely to be post 1948. Protection is afforded through planning controls if their height exceeds 1 metre fronting a highway.</p>
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Many respondents agree that removing the utility poles will improve the appearance of the conservation area, however they question how realistic and achievable removing them is. One respondent regarded them as quaint.

One respondent noted that wheelie bins should be considered as a detracting element.

One respondent commented that no. 7 Drury Lane makes a positive contribution to the conservation area, especially since it has been considered for and awarded architectural awards.

Several respondents have recognised that there would be a benefit to the area if the Pill box were exposed.

The Parish Council informed the District Council That they have requested a grant to clean the monument.

The general support for the renewal of utility poles in noted.

Provision of bins is necessary as a result of seeking to achieve recycling objectives. Their impact on the conservation area is noted, however the issue can not be dealt with through this appraisal process.

7 Drury Lane is a newly built building, contemporary in design. Officers will allow the building to age before deciding the level to which it contributes to the character and appearance of the conservation area.

The officers are in agreement with this view, however they recognise that it is located within private property and therefore a discussion with the owner is required.

The Council appreciate how the community works together to maintain and improve the character and appearance of the conservation area.